TriCounty Health Department

Board of Health Meeting

May 30, 2018 / 12:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES

Comm. Brad Horrocks, Comm. Ron Winterton, Comm. Randy Asay, Mr. Terry Nelson, Ms. Stacy Wilson, Mr. Keith Goodspeed

Mr. Jordan Mathis, Mr. Scott Gessell, Mr. Jacob Isaacson, Mr. Nathan Hall, Mr. Jerry Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. Rick Northington, Jeramie Tubbs

EXCUSED

Mr. Richard Jolley, Ms. Shanna Wheeler

AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m.. Mr. Gessell lead the group in prayer and Mr. Nelson lead the group in the pledge of allegiance.

As the meeting began, Mr. Mathis highlighted an award that TriCounty Health Department received from the Chamber of Commerce as a Business of the Year for Environmental & Safety Issues recognizing the department's efforts in the community.

May 2018 Minutes Approval

A motion was made by Comm. Winterton to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was a seconded by Mr. Nelson. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment

The Duchesne County Commissioners asked Mr. Jerry Nelson to attend on behalf of the Pinion Forest Water District regarding the Non-Public Drinking Water Rule. Drilling wells are expensive and the water in the area is often inappropriate for consumption. If property owners are granted water rights, they can get a building permit. There are many rights granted in the Pinon

Forest area but very few wells actually drilled due to the expense, quality, and low capacity of water. Mr. Goodspeed feels that some changes need to occur to the current rule and he feels that the rule imposes an unnecessary hardship to residents. The current rule was developed by three counties with public hearings. Exceptions are granted on a case by case basis by detailing justification. The standard answer from the department has been to require the property owner to drill a well. Mr. Nelson is asking for consideration in some sort of compromise to haul water. The service district plans to build out a public water system but this will have to occur in phases. At this time there is one well that is servicing the district's members for hauling. If you give a property owner an indefinite time frame to drill, there is no motivation to drill and discover if there is good water. There needs to be some sort of master plan or governing rule to move forward as a water district. EH could add a section for an explanation of water acquisition to the wastewater application or make it easier for property owners to know how to request an exemption. For clarification, there have been approximately three people apply with the health department for an exemption to haul water since 2008 and the water district currently has close to 60 or 70 users with new applications for membership submitted weekly. EH will address the issue in their upcoming staff meeting.

HB 324- Tobacco Licensing

Jake Isaacson, Health Promotion Division Director, provided a brief overview of tobacco licensing. In the past, businesses have applied to the state tax commission with an accompanying fee (\$30). With the passing of HB 324, tobacco retailers will be permitted by local health departments. The minimal fees collected by the health department will help to offset costs incurred with checking retailers for compliance with laws. A \$30 fee + \$250 one time plan review/ \$20 renewal fee (\$30 specialty shops) is proposed. A motion to accept the fee schedule was made by Ms. Wilson. Mr. Goodspeed seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passes.

Financials

The budget is looking positive overall with just under \$28,000 in the profit margin. CSHCN wasn't in the approved budget. TCHD didn't have a contract in place at the time the budget was developed. This contract has resulted in unexpected revenue.

Regarding county contributions, Daggett wasn't billed in time for the report. This issue will remedy itself by the next meeting. Duchesne pays quarterly and Uintah pays monthly. Overall, these contributions are on track.

Cash collections experience the greatest fluxuations and they entail approximately twenty percent of the budget; however, estimates have room for error. Vaccines, spills, and water lab are currently above estimated amounts.

Policy Update

As per Comm. Winterton's suggestion, the Policy Handbook is now on the website for both public and employee accessibility. Additionally, policy and procedures have recently been developed for the reporting of abuse. A motion to adopt this policy was made by Mr. Nelson. Ms. Wilson seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. Motion passes.

Recreational Camps

Utah Code Annotated Title 26 specifies that the department shall establish and enforce rule and the rule specifically lists camps. EH has visited a lot of camps which are tough to regulate. These recreational camps tend to operate without adherence to rules. TCHD has closed one camp and others have developed without permits and have been poorly constructed. Water system plans have been requested without any reply. These camps are open to the public and the public assumes that the drinking water systems and structures are safe. Mr. Brown has met with leader of Camp Maple Dell which operates in compliance with the standard. Mr. Brown has been working on a committee to rewrite a new rule which was adopted in May. With this adoption comes an opportune time to approach recreational camps and support them toward compliance. Mr. Brown would like BoH support to work with these camps who charge for their use to assist them with education toward the requirements and ensuing enforcement to the standards by prioritizing based on risk. Mr. Goodspeed motioned for contact and education as proposed. Ms. Wilson seconded. All members in favor. Motion passes.

Closed Session

Comm. Asay motioned to move into a closed session. Comm. Winterton seconded the motion. All in favor. Move to close session at 1:52.

Closing Remarks

Comm. Horrocks participates on an Opioid Litigation Board and attended a roundtable type meeting and asks TCHD to spearhead a similar meeting on August 13th from 12:00- 2:30 @ the Uintah Conference Center. The meeting will be by invitation for 60-100 participants and local media.

Motion to adjourn at 2:10.